March 3

1 John 5:3

"Love & Commandments"

For this is the love of God, that we keep his commandments: and his commandments are not grievous.

How is the “love of God” connected to the keeping of God’s commandments?

Does this verse mandate to follow certain rules which are sometimes

hard-to-keep
or annoying?

God's commandments are kept when people, who say they love Him, willingly, not out of obligation, show they love him. We obey because we WANT to— not

because we feel we
HAVE to.

The keeping of God's
commandments is
the free-flowing
manifestation of
God's love within us.

No one who truly
loves the Holy One,
the Almighty,
will guiltlessly,

purposefully and continuously practice a lifestyle that diabolically opposes God's commandments.

Further, God's commandments are not grievous.

Sincere followers of Christ have had a

heart change.

Such “upgrade”
in heart,
creates a viewable
change in the
output—
the product; the fruit.
This passage states
that to keep God’s
commandments IS,
by definition,
the love of God.

God's love and His commandments go together from a willing, committed, and submitted heart.

That's the connection between the love of God and the keeping of God's commandments.

It's not requirement

by force.
It’s desired action
by faith.